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July Farm Labor

For the Mountain I Region of the U.S. (Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming), there were 27,000 hired workers on farms and ranches during the week of July 11-17, 2010, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Hired workers worked an average of 42.3 hours during the survey week at an average wage of \$10.32 per hour.

There were 1,244,000 hired workers on the Nation's farms and ranches during the week of July 11-17, 2010, down 1 percent from a year ago. Farm operators paid their hired workers an average wage of \$10.82 per hour during the July 2010 reference week, up 16 cents from a year earlier. Field workers received an average of \$10.12 per hour, up 8 cents from last July, while livestock workers earned \$10.19 per hour compared with \$10.05 a year earlier. The field and livestock worker combined wage rate, at \$10.14 per hour, was up 10 cents from last year. The number of hours worked averaged 41.0 for hired workers during the survey week, up 3 percent from a year ago.

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